Funds for Construction of Hostels and Residential School for OBCs

1918. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided by Government for construction of hostels and residential school for the welfare of pre-matric and post-matric students of other backward classes during 1999-2000; State wise;

(b) whether the State Government of Rajasthan has requested for cent-percent subsidy for the said scheme; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Details of funds released under the schemes for construction of hostels, pre-matric and post-matric scholarships for students of Other Backward Classes during 1999-2000 State-wise are given in the enclosed statement *(see* below).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) does not arise.

Statement

Statement showing amount sanctioned under the scheme for Hostels for OBC Boys & Girls, Pre-matric Scholarship for OBCs and Post-matric Scholarship for OBC students for studies in India, during 1999-2000, so far.

(Rs. in lakhs)

A. Hostel for OBC Boys & Girls

S. No.	State	Amount Sanctioned
1.	Andhra Pradesh	144.26
2.	Karnataka	78.26
3.	Rajasthan	57.48
4.	Sikkim	20.00

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

B. Prematric Scholarship for OBCs	
1. Andhra Pradesh	325.00
2. Tripura	100.00
C. Postmatric scholarship for OBC students for studies in India	
1. Andhra Pradesh	217.00
2. Tripura	3.00

Fraudulent Methods used by Employees of PWB

1919. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL, JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some employees of Punjab Wakf Board had misused the scheme of 10 per cent incentive by submitting cheques of lakhs of rupees which were later dishonoured; and

(b) whether lakhs of rupees were cornered by such employees by way of fraudulent methods; and

(c) if so, the action taken against such employees, so far, to recover the amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL, JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) The Punjab Wakf Board had decided to provide 10% incentive of the revenue collected about the target with a View to boost revenue collection. During 1996-97, 48 Officers got this benefit. However, this scheme was discontinued during 1997-98. Cheques amounting to Rs. 16,50,833.50 were dishonored but the above amount was received and credited on 9.7.1997. The scheme was not misused.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Institutes/Organisations for Welfare of Old Persons

1920. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL, JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the list of Government institutes/organisations associated with the welfare of old persons indicating location, kind of job, achievements made so far and future plans;